



ST PHILIP'S COLLEGE

YEAR 8 CAMP 2019

Into the Desert

Term 2, Weeks 2 and 3

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

ACTION REQUIRED:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information Night – 6pm Monday, 11 February 2019
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medical information updated and consent given via <i>Community Portal</i> by Monday, 11 March 2019

Dear Year 8 Parent/Guardian and Student

As part of the St Philip's College sequential Outdoor Education program, **this five-day Year 8 Camp** is for all Year 8 students and will be held during **Weeks 2 and 3 of Term 2**. The Year 8 program focuses on an exciting range of activities in some of the most spectacular locations in the West MacDonnell Ranges National Park. It is intended for students to develop a stronger sense of awareness and respect for self, others, and the environment. The camp also offers exposure to some of the skills and experiences offered on the nine-day Year 9 Endeavour Camp.

Each student will attend for five days with his or her class group. The program consists of bushwalking, orienteering, rock climbing, abseiling, mountain biking, canoeing, and other water activities.

CAMP GROUPS AND DATES

- Meet at the front entrance/roundabout of College by 8.30am on departure date.
- Students to be dismissed and picked up from the College by 2.55pm on returning date.

Groups 1 and 2: Sunday, 28 April to Thursday, 2 May

Groups 3 and 4: Tuesday, 30 April to Saturday, 4 May

Groups 5 and 6: Saturday, 4 May to Thursday, 8 May

Groups 7: Monday, 6 May to Friday, 10 May

Students who have a **specific and critical** commitment on days that conflict with their class's camp can request to change groups. Please supply a small note or email to outdoor.education@stphilips.nt.edu.au explaining the commitment. Students must attend school at normal times, when they are not on camp.

CAMP EQUIPMENT

Students are required to bring the equipment outlined on the attached equipment list. **Recess and lunch on Day 1 must be provided from home.** The Outdoor Education Department will provide camping equipment (tents and ground sheets), specialist equipment (canoes, mountain bikes), transport, specialist staff, and meals.

MEDICAL AND CONSENT INFORMATION

Parents/Guardians will be required to update medical information and give consent for attendance on the *Community Portal* **by Monday, 11 March 2019**. Please complete carefully with as much detail as possible.

If you have any questions or concerns about the camp please do not hesitate to contact me at the College.

Yours sincerely

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Personal Clothing and Equipment List

WHAT TO BRING:

as you pack!

WEAR ON THE DAY:

- pair of comfortable, tight runners (must have laces)
- socks that cover the ankle
- broad-brimmed sun hat or bucket hat. **Baseball caps are prohibited and not suitable.**
- Hard Yakka/Cargo style long pants (**NO JEANS OR LEGGINGS AT ALL – Very Important**)
- collared, long sleeve shirt (**not singlets**)
- jumper

PACK FOLLOWING ITEMS IN A SMALL SOFT BAG:

- sleeping bag issued to student from the school in Year 7
- cold packed lunch (e.g. sandwiches) and morning/afternoon tea snacks for first day
- 2 pairs of long, thick socks (e.g. Explorers or woollen hike socks)
- 1 pair of long pants (strong and loose fitting)
- 3 extra heavy-duty Garden Multix Orange garbage bags
- 1 warm shirt
- 4 sets of underwear
- 1 t-shirts
- 1 woollen beanie
- 1 pair of water shoes to be worn to protect feet in water activities (ideally an old pair of runners or Dunlop Volley's, **not thongs or sandals**)
- 1 warm jumper for night
- 1 pair of shorts
- 1 pair of bathers (1 piece or board shorts)
- 1 roll of toilet paper in plastic bag
- 2 water bottles (minimum 1L each full of water = 2L total) – check they do not leak prior to camp
- 1 Bike bottle (750/1000ml = full)
- 1 torch (head torch is ideal include spare batteries)
- fork, spoon, bowl, and mug
- minimum toiletries including mosquito repellent and sunscreen. **No aerosols.**
- optional: sunglasses, camera (no phones), scarf/gloves, bike gloves or bike pants

OPTIONAL:

- Bike gloves
- Bike helmet (appropriately fitted, and meets standard AS/NZS 2063:2008)
- Bike pants
- Thermarest
- Camera
- Own rain jacket (Gore-Tex)

NOTES

1. Phones, iPods, handheld games and pocket knives are not permitted. Students may bring a camera (a waterproof camera is ideal).
2. Pillows and other large items are not required and should not be brought.
3. In the interests of fairness, hygiene, and environmental protection, and in line with standard practice for all camps, no additional food or snacks should be brought on camp, except for lunch on the first day.